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Washington, D.C. 20231 APPLICATION NUMBER FILING DATE FIRST NAMED APPLICANT ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 09/943,255 **EXAMINER ART UNIT** PAPER NUMBER DATE MAILED: NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT This application is abandoned in view of: Applicant's failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed on ___ A reply (with Certificate of Mailing or Transmission of ____ which is after the expiration of the period for reply (including a total month(s)) which expired on , but it does not constitute a proper reply under A proposed reply was received on ___ 37 CFR 1.113 to the final rejection. (A proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 to a final rejection consists only of: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114). , but it does not constitute a proper reply, or a bona fide attempt at a A reply was received on proper reply, to the non-final rejection. See 37 CFR 1.85(a) and 1.111. (See explanation in the last box below). No reply has been received. Applicant's failure to timely pay the required issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, within the statutory period of three months from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85). The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, was received on_ (with a Certificate of Mailing or _), which is after the expiration of the statutory period for payment of the issue fee (and publication fee) set in the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85)(or Notice of Publication Fee Due). The submitted fee of \$_____ is insufficient. A balance of \$____ The issue fee by 37 CFR 1.18 is \$______. The publication fee, if required, by 37 CFR 1.18(d) is \$_ The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, have not been received. Applicant's failure to timely file corrected drawings as required by, and within the three-month period set in, the Notice of Allowability (PTOL-37). ____ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated Proposed corrected drawings were received on___), which is after the expiration of the period for reply. No corrected drawings have been received. The letter of express abandonment which is signed by the attorney or agent of record, the assignee of the entire interest, or all the applicants. The letter of express abandonment which is signed by an attorney or agent (acting in a representative capacity under 37 CFR 1.34(a)) upon filing of a continuing application. The decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences rendered on ____ for seeking court review of the decision has expired and there are no allowed claims.

Petitions to revive under 37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b), or requests to withdraw the holding of abandonment under 37 CFR 1.181, should be promptly filed to

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The reason(s) below: .

minimize any negative effects on patent term

Respond to the Notice of Abandonment by one of the following:

Petition To Withdraw Holding of Abandonment (See MPEP 711.03(c) I) and 37 CFR § 1.181) No fee required

Where an applicant contends that the application is not in fact abandoned (e.g., there is disagreement as to the sufficiency of the reply, or as to controlling dates), a petition under 37 CFR § 1.181(a) requesting withdrawal of the holding of abandonment is the appropriate course of action. Any petition under 37 CFR § 1.181, to withdraw the holding of abandonment not filed within 2 months of the mail date of a Notice of Abandonment may be dismissed as untimely under 37 CFR § 1.181(f). In order for a petition to be granted, the evidence must be sufficient according to one of the following

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- 37 CFR § 1.8(b) Certificate of Mailing
- 37 CFR § 1.10 "Express Mail" mailing

MPEP 503 Postcard Receipt as Prima Facie Evidence

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703-305-8755 or 703-305-4372

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By mail:

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Petition To Revive An Abandoned Application (See MPEP 711.03(c) III)

Where there is no dispute as to whether an application is abandoned (e.g. the applicant's contentions merely involve the cause of abandonment) a petition under 37 CFR § 1.137 (a) unavoidable or (b) unintentionally (accompanied by the appropriate petition fee) is necessary to revive the abandoned

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703-308-6916

Petition For Revival Of An Application For Patent Abandoned Unavoidably Under 37 CFR § 1.137(a) and Unintentionally Under 37 CFR 1.137(b), forms available at USPTO website - http://www.uspto.gov

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